2011 BOARD OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (BVR)
NOMINATION FORM
(If additional space is needed, attach one additional page)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone:_____ Work Phone:_____

Disability: _____Yes _____No Occupation:_____

Email:_____

Current/Former Consumer of Vocational Rehabilitation Services _____Yes _____No

Biographical Sketch:_____

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Previous Board, Council or Community Advocacy Experience:_____

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Nominated By: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email:_____

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Please Return by <u>Friday, April 8th</u> to:

Board of Vocational Rehabilitation
221 South Central Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Board of Vocational Rehabilitation (Board) Member
Job Description

BOARD MEMBER'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ✓ Attend and actively participate in Board meetings and activities.
- ✓ Actively work on at least one Board committee.
- ✓ Serve as an advocate for all persons with disabilities needing vocational rehabilitation services.
- ✓ Advise the Department of Human Services on the employment needs of persons with disabilities.
- ✓ Provide public comment on South Dakota's State Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation and Supported Employment services and rules or policies concerning the vocational rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.
- ✓ Advise the Division of Rehabilitation Services on program policy and procedure for the distribution of funds for vocational rehabilitation.
- ✓ Assist the Department of Human Services in evaluating program effectiveness and provide information for state and federal policy makers.
- ✓ Facilitate the development of new vocational rehabilitation leaders within the state.
- ✓ Seek out and listen to the ideas, concerns and recommendations of other citizens concerning vocational rehabilitation services.

AUTHORITY:

A Board member has only that authority granted him or her by federal or state statute or by the entire Board body through specific resolution.

VALUES DESIRED:

- ✓ Commitment to consumer control, meaning that people with disabilities should have control over their lives and decision-making.
- ✓ Belief in the principle of equal access and equal opportunity.
- ✓ Commitment to the full inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of society, including employment.
- ✓ Possession of honesty, integrity and respect for the values of others.
- ✓ Possession of a strong personal code of ethics, including maintaining confidentiality and avoiding conflict of interest and self-dealing.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ✓ Knowledge of teamwork.
- ✓ Experience with vocational rehabilitation, business or disability advocacy groups linked with vocational rehabilitation services.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Board staff, at 945-2207 (Pierre) or 1-800-210-0143 (statewide toll free), by writing them at Board of Vocational Rehabilitation; 221 South Central Avenue; Pierre, SD 57501, or by emailing colettew@sd-ccd.org.